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### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA — DESIGNATION FORM to be used by counsel to indicate the category of the case for the purpose of assignment to appropriate calendar.

| Address of Plaintiff: 43 Dorset Road, Glens Mills  | s, PA<br>vd., Milford, DE 19963  |
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| Address of Defendant: 23501 EarIIIIard CBT   | ——————————————————————————————————————   |
| Place of Accident, Incident or Transaction: SR 202, Chadds Fo  | ord Township, Delaware Co., PA   |
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| Does this civil action involve a nongovernmental corporate party with any parent corporat (Attach two copies of the Disclosure Statement Form in accordance with Fed.R.Civ.P |  |
| Does this case involve multidistrict litigation possibilities?  RELATED CASE, IF ANY:  | Yes□ Nov   |
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| 4. Antitrust   | 4. Marine Personal Injury  |
| 5. Patent  | 5. 🔀 Motor Vehicle Personal Injury   |
| 6. Labor-Management Relations  | 6. Other Personal Injury (Please specify)  |
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| 8. Habeas Corpus   | 8. Products Liability — Asbestos   |
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| Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 53.2, Section 3(c)(2), that to the best of my know exceed the sum of \$150,000.00 exclusive of interest and costs;                              | eledge and belief, the damages recoverable in this civil action case                                 |
| Relief other than monetary damages is sought.  |  |
| DATE: 12/3/08  | 22187 Attorney I.D.#   |
| NOTE: A trial de novo will be a trial by jury only i   |  |
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| DATE: 12/3/08 From 14 24   | 22187  |
| Attorney-at-Law /  | Attorney I.D.#   |

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APPENDIX I

# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

### CASE MANAGEMENT TRACK DESIGNATION FORM

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| Date   | Attorney-at-law   | Attorney for  | *************************************** |
| 12/3/08  | Bruce Martin  | Ginsburg Plaintiff  |   |
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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BRIAN PRICE and KATHLEEN PRICE

43 Dorset Road Glen Mills, PA 19342

Plaintiff,

VS.

**CHARLES HARDING** 

23501 Earnhardt Blvd.. Milford, DE 19963

Defendant.

**CIVIL ACTION COMPLAINT** 

No.:

#### THE PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiffs, BRIAN PRICE and KATHLEEN PRICE, are husband and wife and adult individuals who reside at 43 Dorset Road, Glen Mills, PA. 19342 and are citizens of Pennsylvania.
- 2. Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, is an adult individual residing at 23501 Earnhardt Blvd., Milford, DE. and is a citizen of Delaware.

#### **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

- 3. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332 in that the matter in controversy exceeds the sum or value of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs, and is between citizens of different States.
- 4. Venue over this action is appropriate in this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1391(a)(2), in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

because the Eastern District of Pennsylvania is where a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred.

- 5. The amount in controversy does exceed \$75,000.00.
- 6. Plaintiffs hereby demand a trial by jury.

### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS COMMON TO ALL COUNTS**

- 7. On or about May 25, 2007, Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, did drive, operate, possess and control a motor vehicle, a 2005 Ford Explorer, bearing PA License Plate Number EPS3355.
- 8. On or about May 25, 2007, Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, did own, manage, drive, operate, possess and control a motor vehicle, a 2002 Kenworth W90, bearing DE License Plate Number CL111552.
- 9. On or about May 25, 2007, at approximately 11:45 a.m., at or near southbound SR 202, Chadds Ford Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, so negligently and/or carelessly operated his vehicle so as to so as to violently collide into the rear of Plaintiff's vehicle, as Plaintiff lawfully proceeded southbound on SR 202, causing Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, to sustain the injuries and other losses hereinafter more fully set forth.
- 10. Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, alleges that an insufficient amount of time has passed within which to determine the identity of any other persons or business entities who may be responsible for the causation of the accident.

11. The injuries resulted solely from the negligence and/or carelessness of Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, and were in no manner whatsoever due to any act or failure to act on the part of the Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE.

## <u>COUNT I - NEGLIGENCE</u> BRIAN PRICE v. CHARLES HARDING

- 12. Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 11, as fully as though each were set forth herein at length.
- 13. The collision was caused solely by reason of the negligence and/or carelessness Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, and in addition to the aforementioned, consisted of the following:
- a. Operating a vehicle at a high and dangerous rate of speed under the circumstances;
  - b. Failing to have said vehicle under proper control at that time;
  - c. Failure to use the highest degree of skill in the operation of a vehicle;
  - d. Failing to keep a proper distance from other vehicles;
  - e. Failing to keep a proper lookout for others lawfully using said road;
- f. Continuing to operate said vehicle in a direction toward the Plaintiff, when he saw or in the exercise of reasonable diligence should have seen that further operation in that direction would result in a collision;
  - g. Failing to stop his vehicle upon the shortest possible notice; and

- h. Upon information and belief and subject to discovery, operating a vehicle in violation of the laws and ordinances of the Chadds Ford Township, Delaware County and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 14. The injuries suffered by Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, in the motor vehicle collision more specifically described in this complaint have resulted in serious impairment of bodily function, including but not limited to: C4-5,C5-6 and C6-7 disc herniation; L5-S1 disc protrusion; T5-6,T6-7,T7-8,T8-9,T9-10 disc bulging; cervical, thoracic and lumbar strain and sprain; radiculopathy; post traumatic concussion with associated cephalgia and eye pressure; rib strain and sprain as well as, other injuries as may be diagnosed by Plaintiff's health care providers, all of which injuries have in the past and may in the future, cause Plaintiff great pain and suffering.
- 15. As a further result of the negligence and/or carelessness of the Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, as aforesaid, Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, has and will be obliged to receive and undergo medical attention and care and to expend various sums of money and to incur various expenses, and he may be obliged to continue to expend such sums and to incur such expenditures for an indefinite period of time in the future, to his great detriment and loss.
- 16. As a further result of the negligence and/or carelessness, of the Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, as aforesaid, Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, has suffered agonizing aches, severe physical pains, disability, mental anguish and humiliation and will continue to suffer same for an indefinite time in the future, to Plaintiff's great detriment and loss.

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17. As a result of the negligence and/or carelessness of the Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, as aforesaid, Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, may or will suffer a loss of earnings, and impairment of earning capacity and power, and will continue to incur same in the future.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, demands judgment against Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, in an amount in excess of Seventy-five Thousand (\$75,000.00) Dollars, plus interest and costs of suit.

# COUNT II – SPOUSAL LOSS OF CONSORTIUM KATHLEEN PRICE v CHARLES HARDING

- 18. Plaintiff, KATHLEEN PRICE, hereby incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 17, as though same were fully set forth at length herein.
- 19. Solely as a result of the aforesaid negligence and/or carelessness of Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, Plaintiff, KATHLEEN PRICE, as spouse of Plaintiff, BRIAN PRICE, has been deprived of the society, companionship, aid, assistance, earnings and consortium of said spouse, all of which have, and may in the future continue to cause great emotional and financial loss and damage.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, KATHLEEN PRICE, demands judgment against Defendant, CHARLES HARDING, in an amount in excess of Seventy-five Thousand (\$75,000.00) Dollars, plus interest and costs of suit.

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BRUCE MARTIN MINSBURG, ESQUIRE

2112 Walnut Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

(215) 564-4400

**IDENTIFICATION NO.: 22187** 

Attorney for Plaintiffs:

BRIAN PRICE and PATRICIA PRICE

Dated:

#### VERIFICATION

Plaintiff verifies that the statements made in this pleading are true and correct to the best of plaintiff's knowledge, information and belief. To the extent that the pleading contains averments of law and language of counsel and results of investigation, plaintiff has relied on counsel. Plaintiff understands that false statements herein are made subject to penalties of 18 Pa. §4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

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